Medway Council Meeting of Councillor Conduct Committee Wednesday, 8 November 2017 6.00pm to 7.06pm

Record of the meeting

Subject to approval as an accurate record at the next meeting of this committee

Present: Councillors: Mrs Diane Chambers, Godwin, Hicks (Chairman),

Shaw and Wildey

Substitutes: Councillors:

Rodney Chambers, OBE (Substitute for Kemp)

Mrs Josie Iles (Substitute for Wicks)

Royle (Substitute for Carr)

In Attendance: Jan Guyler, Head of Legal Services/Deputy Monitoring Officer

Wayne Hemingway, Democratic Services Officer

478 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Carr, Kemp and Wicks.

479 Record of meeting

The record of the meeting held on 13 September 2017 was agreed and signed by the Chairman as correct.

480 Urgent matters by reason of special circumstances

There were none.

481 Declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests and other interests

<u>Disclosable pecuniary interests</u>

There were none.

Other interests

There were none.

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482 Exclusion of the press and public

Decision:

That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the exempt material relating to agenda item 6 because consideration of these matters in public would disclose information falling within paragraphs 1 and 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 as specified in agenda item 6, and, in all the circumstances of the case, the Committee considers that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

483 Screening of Complaint CCC 2017/001

Discussion:

The Deputy Monitoring Officer introduced a report which detailed a complaint received by the Monitoring Officer on 17 October 2017 relating to a Medway Councillor. The complaint was split into three allegations and the Committee considered each allegation individually, as set out in paragraphs 2.9.1, 2.9.2 and 2.9.3 of the report.

Decision:

The Committee agreed to take no further action in relation to complaint CCC 2017/001, as having completed the Medway Council screening process test, the Committee considered that there was insufficient evidence, on the face of the complaint, to demonstrate a potential breach of the Member Code of Conduct.

Chairman

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